Claims

1. A portable telephone comprising:

a sound picking up unit for picking-up external sound; an audio encoding unit for encoding an audio signal picked up by the sound picking up unit;

an encoded data storing unit for storing the audio data encoded by the audio encoding unit;

an audio decoding unit for decoding the audio data stored in the encoded data storing unit;

a call receiving sound output unit for outputting the audio data decoded by the audio decoding unit as a call receiving sound; and

a communication control unit for switching a base station, characterized in that the function of the audio decoding unit is provided in another circuit block that does not depend on the operation of a circuit block functioning as the communication control unit.

2. A portable telephone comprising:

an audio recording unit for recording an audio signal of a partner to talk with;

an audio encoding unit for encoding the audio signal recorded by the audio recording unit;

an encoded data storing unit for storing the audio data encoded by the audio encoding unit;

an audio decoding unit for decoding the audio data stored in the encoded data storing unit;

a call receiving sound output unit for outputting the audio data decoded by the audio decoding unit as a call receiving sound; and

a communication control unit for switching a base station, characterized in that the function of the audio decoding unit is provided in another circuit block that does not depend on the operation of a circuit block functioning as the communication control unit.

- 3. The portable telephone according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the audio encoding unit encodes the inputted audio signal by an ADPCM system and the audio decoding unit decodes the inputted audio data by the ADPCM system.
- 4. The portable telephone according to claim 1, 2 or 3, characterized in that a noise component removing unit is provided for removing the noise component of the audio signal inputted to the audio encoding unit.
- 5. The portable telephone according to claim 1, 2 or 3, characterized in that a musical scale adjusting unit is provided for adjusting the musical scale of the audio

signal inputted to the audio encoding unit.